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29 August 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF, TSS/TA/PHOTOGRAPHIC DIVISION

THRU: AC/TSS/R & D  
AC/TSS/TA

SUBJECT: Telescoping Lens Barrel

1. A discussion was held with [redacted] C/TSS/TA/PD, on 29 August 1955, at which time the following conclusions were reached:

a. Procurement and investigation of a satisfactory 48" lens is not possible in time to meet this requirement. It was decided that only one of the subject devices utilizing a 40" focal length Astro lens will be constructed at this time.

b. Development of the other two lens systems will be deferred at this time. It is recommended by TSS/APD/OS that the development of the additional two lens systems be postponed pending development of a fundamental approach to the telescopic lens problem.

c. The deadline for the completion of this lens system was set at 15 November 1955.

2. The work under this contract is being conducted for APD by [redacted] and this project carries the project number Ad Hoc #30 in the APD files.

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C/TSS/APD

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